

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-90. (Cancelled)

91. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing a granule bait comprising one or more insect controlling agents, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are selected from the group consisting of N-substituted carbamic acids, organo-phosphorous compounds, nitro-enamines, chlorinated hydrocarbons, natural pyrethrins, pyrethroids, formamidines, borates, phenylpyrazoles, and macrocyclic lactones; one or more lures; one or more foods; and one or more filling materials; wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 mm and about 5 mm; the method of preparing comprising:

- a) mixing said one or more insect controlling agents, said one or more lures, said one or more foods, and said one or more filling materials to form a mixture;
- b) granulating said mixture
- c) spraying water over said mixture during the granulating step;
- d) standardizing the granulate;
- e) drying the granulate; and
- f) dry-sieving the granulate.

92. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 91, wherein the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

93. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing a granule bait comprising one or more insect controlling agents, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are selected from the group consisting of N-substituted carbamic acids, organo-phosphorous compounds, nitroenamines, chlorinated hydrocarbons, natural pyrethrins, pyrethroids, formamidines, borates, phenylpyrazoles, and macrocyclic lactones; one or more lures; one or more foods; one or more filling materials; one or more bitter constituents, one or more dyes, and one or more structure-stabilizers, wherein said one or more bitter constituents are a repellent against non-

house fly animals, and wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 mm and about 5 mm; the method of preparing comprising:

- a) premixing said one or more insect controlling agents, said one or more lures, said one or more foods, and said one or more filling materials to form a premix;
- b) spraying a solution of said one or more bitter constituents over said premix to form a final mixture;
- c) granulating said final mixture;
- d) spraying water over said final mixture during the granulating step;
- e) standardizing the granulate;
- f) drying the granulate;
- g) and dry-sieving the granulate.

94. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 93, wherein the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

95. (Withdrawn) The method of reducing the number of house flies in a location comprising spreading the granule bait of Claim 59 around said location.

96. (New) A granule bait for the control of house flies inside houses and animal stalls, fodder stores, and sanitary installations comprising:

thiametoxam, wherein the thiametoxam is present in an amount up to about 5 percent relative to the weight of the composition of thiametoxam as insect controlling agent;

one or more lures, wherein the one or more lures are present in an amount up to about 0.5 percent relative to the weight of the composition and wherein the one or more lures are selected from the group consisting of muscalure, hexalure, medlure, vanillin, terpineol, farnesol, geraniol, phenylethanol, and cis-9-tricosene;

one or more foods, wherein the one or more foods are present in an amount up to about 25 percent relative to the weight of the composition and wherein the one or more foods are selected from the group consisting of lactose, maltose and glucose; and

one or more filling materials, wherein the one or more filling materials are present in an amount up to about 90 percent relative to the weight of the composition and wherein the one or more filling materials are selected from the group consisting of saccharose, fructofuranose and glucopyranose,

wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 and 5 mm and the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

97. (New) The granule bait according to claim 96, further comprising one or more additional constituents selected from the group consisting of a bitter constituent, a dye, a structure-stabilizer, and a tenside.

98. (New) The granule bait according to claim 97, wherein the bitter constituent is present in an amount of up to about 0.1 percent, the dye is present in an amount up to about 1 percent, and the structure-stabilizer is present in an amount of up to about 25 percent, each amount relative to the weight of the composition.

99. (New) The granule bait according to claim 97, wherein the thiametoxam in the composition is present in an amount of about 0.5 percent to 1.5 percent, the lure is present in an amount of about 0.05 percent to 0.15 percent, the food is present in an amount up to about 10 percent, the filling material is present in an amount up to about 80 percent, the bitter constituent is present in an amount up to about 0.005 percent, the dye is present in an amount up to about 0.1 percent, the structure-stabilizer is present in an amount up to about 10 percent, and the tenside is present in an amount up to about 0.1 percent, each amount relative to the weight of the composition.

100. (New) The granule bait according to claim 96, wherein the lure is cis-9-tricosene, the food is lactose, and the filling material is saccharose.

101. (New) The granule bait according to claim 96, wherein the thiametoxam is present in an amount of about 0.1 percent to 2 percent.

102. (New) The granule bait according to claim 96, wherein the size of the granulate is between about 3 and 4 mm.